

Lesson 31

Pictures of Jesus

The Miracle Worker



Jesus performs His first miracle by turning water into wine.

John 2:3, 7, 9 | “Jesus’ mother said to him, ‘*They have no more wine*’.... Jesus said to the servants, ‘*fill the jars with water*’....the master of the banquet tasted the water that had been turned into wine.”

Jesus and His mother were at a wedding party. While they were there, the wine was finished. This would have been embarrassing to the bride and groom if they could not offer wine to their guests.

Jesus' mother told Him about the problem and He agreed to help. Jesus told the servants to bring Him six water jars each holding about 20-30 gallons. Jesus told the servants to fill the jars with water. Then Jesus told the servants to take some of the liquid out and bring it to the master of the party.

When the master of the party tasted the water that was turned into wine, he was amazed. Normally, the best wine was served first and cheap wine was served later. This wine was the best wine to be served at the party and it was served later instead of first.

The changing of water into wine was the first miracle Jesus did. What does this miracle mean?

The Bible tells us that this miracle revealed Jesus' glory and this caused His disciples to put their faith in Him. This was very important. The

disciples of Jesus needed to know that Jesus was very special even if they did not know why He was special. In that way, they would put their trust in what He said and listen very closely to His teaching.

Another important meaning of this miracle is the picture it gives us. Jesus took something ordinary (water) and turned it into something very special (the best wine). This is a picture of what Jesus does with all who believe in Him. Jesus takes ordinary people like you and me and turns them into something very special - the children of God. Jesus does this miracle every minute of every day.

Doesn't that make every believer very special?

PRAYER TIME

We thank You Jesus for changing us from lowly sinners to forgiven children of God. Thank you for giving us the forgiveness of our sins as a gift just like you gave the water turned into wine as a gift. You have made us very special. Amen